REMARKS

Applicant recognizes with appreciation that Examiner has indicated that Claims 1 – 9 have been allowed.

In this Amendment, Applicant has cancelled Claims 10 - 11, without prejudice or disclaimer, amended Claims 2 - 6, 9 and added new Claims 12 - 24. Claims 2 - 6 and 9 have been amended to proper dependent claim format. In addition, the abstract has been amended to delete certain informalities. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been introduced by the amended claims and specification. All claims are now present for examination and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the preceding amendments and the following comments.

OBJECTION TO SPECIFICATION:

The abstract has been objected to because of certain informality.

It is respectfully submitted that the specification has been amended to correct the informality. More specifically, the term "This invention relates to the provision of" has been amended to "This invention provides". Therefore, the objection to the abstract has been overcome. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection is requested.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 101:

Claims 10 - 11 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as allegedly being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Applicant traverses the rejection and respectfully submits that the rejection has been overcome by the present amendment. More specifically, Claims 10 - 11 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Thus the rejection is moot.

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Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101 has been overcome. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101 is respectfully requested.

Having overcome all outstanding grounds of rejection, the application is now in condition for allowance, and prompt action toward that end is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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